

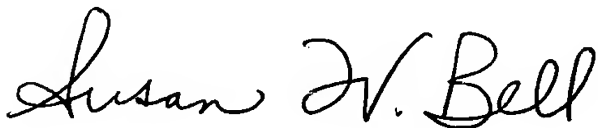
**REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended, and claim 2 has been canceled. Claims 1 and 3-19 remain pending in this application.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims are patentable over the references and information of record, and therefore, the claims are in condition for allowance and eventual issuance. Such action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments which need be addressed in order to obtain allowance, please contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Acknowledgement of receipt is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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